

Nashoba Associated Boards of Health Nashoba Nursing Service & Hospice

The flu clinics are coming!

In our effort to provide access to the seasonal flu vaccine, the Nashoba Associated Boards of Health, together with your local Board of Health, will be providing flu clinics throughout the district during the month of October. (Therefore, there will be NO regular blood pressure clinics held during October.) Our clinics are open to everyone ages 6 months and up. Residents from any member town can attend any of our scheduled clinics! Please have residents bring their insurance cards/information. If a resident doesn't have insurance or their card is unavailable, a \$20 fee will be collected.

*A list of clinic dates, times and locations will be posted on our website: www.nashoba.org

Our goal is to vaccinate as many residents as possible, so we offer a variety of options for your convenience:

- 1.) Day time clinics-Venues are individualized per each town's preferences and include places like: senior centers, libraries, town offices and safety buildings. These clinic hours allow time for residents of senior housings to be bused to and from clinics. We ask your support in coordinating transportation.
- **2.)** Afternoon/evening regionalized school-based clinics-These are typically held from 3-6 pm.
- **3.) Open office hours** For residents who cannot attend a clinic, they may call to schedule an appointment during our open clinic hours in November, and possibly even December, depending on vaccine supply.

Office hours: Fridays 9am-12pm.

Office location: 51 Cambridge St Office in Ayer, MA

4.) Home visits- Upon referral, and with a doctor's order, we will vaccinate any homebound resident who is unable to attend a clinic.

Vaccination Registry Information: Last year the state introduced the Massachusetts Immunization Information System (MIIS) & required providers to enter vaccination information to this database. This is a computerized system that collects and stores immunization information. It is a secure and confidential system that keeps immunization records together in one place for health care providers. More information about the MIIS will be available at the clinics. If a person doesn't want their immunization history to be shared, a waiver/objection form can be signed.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation. We look forward to working with you to promote healthy communities in the 2015/2016 year.

Warm regards, Tamara Bedard, RN, Community Health Manager 978-772-3335 ext.340

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